

## Burdick, Melanie

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**From:** Melgin, Wendy  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 10, 2013 11:47 AM  
**To:** Cameron, Tamara E MVP  
**Cc:** Westlake, Kenneth; Burdick, Melanie  
**Subject:** RE: [EXTERNAL] FW: PolyMet and ARNI

Thanks Tamara, we have the 2005 letter but don't think that is what she is asking for.

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**To:** Melgin, Wendy  
**Cc:** Westlake, Kenneth; Haveman, Melanie  
**Subject:** Re: [EXTERNAL] FW: PolyMet and ARNI

Wendy, just fyi, there was a 404 application years ago that was put out on notice, but we plan to reissue a 404 PN in conjunction with the SDEIS review.

Tamara

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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] FW: PolyMet and ARNI

Ms. Andresen: The EPA letter of February 18, 2010 (attached) responds to the Draft EIS. In that letter, we did state that the project may affect aquatic resources of national importance (ARNI). However, a formal ARNI determination would be in response to a permit application, which has not yet been submitted by Polymet. Therefore, the February 18 letter does not constitute an EPA determination.

*Wendy L Melgin*

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**Subject:** FW: PolyMet and ARNI

Wendy,  
This is more appropriately responded to by your program.  
Ken

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**From:** Lori Andresen [mailto:[andres01@charter.net](mailto:andres01@charter.net)]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 09, 2013 6:26 PM

**To:** Westlake, Kenneth  
**Subject:** RE: PolyMet and ARNI

Hello Mr. Westlake,

Could you please send me the EPA's correspondence regarding Aquatic Resources of National Importance (ARNI) waters associated with PolyMet's NorthMet Mine project?

My understanding from Tamara Cameron (USACE) is that there was an ARNI determination made by the EPA and a letter referencing that was sent to the cooperating agencies.

Thank you,

Lori Andresen  
Duluth, Minnesota